English Boys' Schools in the Muvattupuzha taluk.

169. * **MR. THARIATHU KUNJITOMMEN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing separately, the number of English Boys' Schools in the Muvattupuzha taluk conducted by the Government, the number of such schools conducted by the people, and the localities where they are conducted?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The Statement * asked for is placed on the table.

MR. THARIATHU KUNJITOMMAN: മൂവാറ്റുപുഴ താലൂക്കിൽ ൯ പ്രൈവറ്റ് ഇംഗ്ലീഷ് സ്കൂളുകൾ ഉള്ളതായി പറയപ്പെട്ടതു. അവ ഏതേതു മാനേജരന്മാരാൽ നടത്തപ്പെട്ടവയാണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: There are nine private schools all belonging to Christian managers. Of these, two are Roman Catholics and the rest are Jacobite Syrians.

Construction of Irrigation bund at Murinjapuzha, Vaikom taluk.

170. * **MR. A. J. JOHN**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received representations from the people of Murinjapuzha of Bramamangalm muri, Chempu pakuthy, Vaikom taluk, stating that an irrigation bund from the northern bank of Murinjapuzha ferry to the Excise Station at Keechery Kottavathukal be constructed; and

(*b*) whether they are aware that the Kanni crops of about 40,000 paras of paddy fields there are damaged by floods and the Makaram crops are damaged by brackish water?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The lands on the northern bank of the Murinjapuzha river wherever low are submerged during floods and the extent of the lands so submerged is reported to be nearly 4000 paras in Travancore and 5000 paras in the Cochin State.

Bridge across Vykathillattil Thodu.

171 * **MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether thay are aware of the necessity for constructing a bridge across Vykathillattil *thodu* on the Podiyadi-Edathua road in Tiruvalla taluk; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the steps taken hitherto in the matter?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The work is in progress.

* *Vide* Appendix I Page 719.

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